

Melüchen, N. J.  
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Dear Mr. French:

I am sending  
you an advance copy of my  
new book. If after reading  
it, you feel that without  
doing too much violence to  
your New England conscience,  
you can say something in  
its favor, and allow me to  
quote you, I shall be very

much obliged.

For the first time I am  
doing what countless other  
authors have done, even Kipling,  
making a little by on my  
own account for a large  
sale of my book. It seems  
horribly mercenary, when one  
reflects upon the title.

With best wishes to you and  
yours for the New Year.

Mary S. Welkin-Johnson